

MISSISSIPPI ECONOMY SCORECARD

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Unemployment Rate

4.9

Lowest levels in the
history of Mississippi.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics, 2019.

Good Jobs

223,000

Mississippi is **ranked #2** in the country for creating high-earning power jobs that require less than a 4-year college degree, with an average salary of \$53,000.

Source: Georgetown University, 2018 (<https://goodjobsdata.org/wp-content/uploads/Good-Jobs-States.pdf>)



More than 200,000 people each year look for and connect real-time with jobs through **Mississippi Works.**

Source: Mississippi Department of Employment Security, 2018.

Employment

1,203,900

Longest period of employment growth recorded in the last 20 years, with more than **50,000 individuals** added to the labor market since 2012.



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics, 2019.

Approximately **80 percent** of individuals within the 25-55 age group are in the workforce, which mirrors the national trend.

Workforce participation rate



100

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics, 2019.

Income Tax

\$1.8 billion

Highest recorded in Mississippi history, accounting for a **\$400 million increase in collections** since 2011.

Source: Mississippi Department of Revenue, 2018.

Sales Tax

\$2.1 billion

Highest recorded in Mississippi history, accounting for a **\$264 million increase in collections** since 2011.

Source: Mississippi Department of Revenue, 2018.